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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Inventory Completion: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The University of Michigan has completed an inventory of human remains, in consultation with the appropriate Indian tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations, and has determined that there is no cultural affiliation between the human remains and any present-day Indian tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations. Representatives of any Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains should submit a written request to the University of Michigan. If no additional requestors come forward, transfer of control of the human remains to the Indian tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations stated in this notice may proceed.

**DATES:** Representatives of any Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains should submit a written request with information in support of the request to the University of Michigan at the address in this notice by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Dr. Ben Secunda, NAGPRA Project Manager, University of Michigan, Office of

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the Vice President for Research, 4080 Fleming Building, 503 Thompson St., Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1340, telephone (734) 647-9085, email <u>bsecunda@umich.edu</u>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003, of the completion of an inventory of human remains under the control of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. The human remains were removed from St. Clair County, MI.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003(d)(3) and 43 CFR 10.11(d). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of the Native American human remains. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

## Consultation

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Bay Mills Indian Community, Michigan; Chippewa-Cree Indians of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, Montana; Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Michigan; Hannahville Indian Community, Michigan; Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, Michigan; Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Michigan; Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, Michigan; Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Michigan; Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of Michigan; Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi, Michigan (previously listed as the Huron Potawatomi, Inc.); Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, Michigan and Indiana; Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan; and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Michigan.

Additional requests for consultation were sent to the Bad River Band of the Lake

Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians of the Bad River Reservation, Wisconsin; Bois Forte Band

(Nett Lake) of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Citizen Potawatomi Nation,
Oklahoma; Fond du Lac Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Forest County
Potawatomi Community, Wisconsin; Grand Portage Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe,
Minnesota; Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin; Lac du
Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of the Lac du Flambeau Reservation of
Wisconsin; Leech Lake Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Mille Lacs Band of
the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma; Prairie Band Potawatomi
Nation (previously listed as the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Nation, Kansas); Quechan Tribe of
the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation, California & Arizona; Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior
Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin; Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Minnesota; Seneca Nation
of Indians (previously listed as the Seneca Nation of New York); Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of
Oklahoma; Sokaogon Chippewa Community, Wisconsin; St. Croix Chippewa Indians of
Wisconsin; Tonawanda Band of Seneca (previously listed as the Tonawanda Band of Seneca
Indians of New York); Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians of North Dakota; White Earth
Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; and the Wyandotte Nation.

Hereafter, all tribes listed in this section are referred to as "The Tribes."

## History and description of the remains

On an unknown date prior to 1964, human remains representing, at minimum, 1 individual were removed from the Port Huron Area site in St. Clair County, MI. The remains of 1 adult were collected from a location near Port Huron, MI, and donated to the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology (UMMA) in 1964. No date or time period for the human remains could be established. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

On September 28, 1942, human remains representing, at minimum, 1 individual were removed from the Nook site (20SC108) in St. Clair County, MI. Amateur archeologists excavated

the remains of an older adult female from a bundle burial found in a large blowhole near the St. Clair delta. The cranium reportedly had post-mortem perforations. A potsherd, dog bones, and turtle bones were also reportedly found in association with the human remains. In 1952, the amateur archeologists donated some of the human remains to the UMMA, but the museum has no record of the cranium, potsherd, and faunal remains being donated. The human remains date to the Late Woodland Period (900-1200 A.D.) based on the presence of the potsherd. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

On an unknown date prior to 1924, human remains representing, at minimum, 1 individual were removed from the Bunce Creek site (20SC05) in St. Clair County, MI. The remains of one adult (possibly female) were part of a larger collection of Native American human remains and cultural items collected by L.P. Rowland and sold to the UMMA in 1924. An amateur archeologist later visited the site in 1936, and dated it to the Early-to-Late Woodland Period. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

## **Determinations made by the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology**

Officials of the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology have determined that:

- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(9), the human remains described in this notice are Native
   American based on cranial morphology, dental traits, accession documentation, and archeological context.
- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(9), the human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of 3 individuals of Native American ancestry.
- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(2), a relationship of shared group identity cannot be reasonably traced between the Native American human remains and any present-day Indian tribe.
- According to final judgments of the Indian Claims Commission or the Court of Federal
   Claims, the land from which the Native American human remains were removed is the

aboriginal land of the Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians of the Bad River Reservation, Wisconsin; Bay Mills Indian Community, Michigan; Bois Forte Band (Nett Lake) of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Chippewa-Cree Indians of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, Montana; Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Oklahoma; Fond du Lac Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Forest County Potawatomi Community, Wisconsin; Grand Portage Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Michigan; Hannahville Indian Community, Michigan; Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, Michigan; Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin; Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of the Lac du Flambeau Reservation of Wisconsin; Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Michigan; Leech Lake Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, Michigan; Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Michigan; Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of Michigan; Mille Lacs Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota; Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi, Michigan (previously listed as the Huron Potawatomi, Inc.); Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma; Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, Michigan and Indiana; Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation (previously listed as the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Nation, Kansas); Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation, California & Arizona; Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin; Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Minnesota; Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan; Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Michigan; Sokaogon Chippewa Community, Wisconsin; St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin; Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians of North Dakota; and the White Earth Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Minnesota.

Treaties, Acts of Congress, or Executive Orders, indicate that the land from which the

Native American human remains were removed is the aboriginal land of The Tribes.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 10.11(c)(1), the disposition of the human remains may be to The

Tribes.

**Additional Requestors and Disposition** 

Representatives of any Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this

notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains should submit a written

request with information in support of the request to Dr. Ben Secunda, NAGPRA Project

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Building, 503 Thompson St., Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1340, telephone (734) 647-9085, email

bsecunda@umich.edu, by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE

**FEDERAL REGISTER**]. After that date, if no additional requestors have come forward,

transfer of control of the human remains to The Tribes may proceed.

The University of Michigan is responsible for notifying The Tribes that this notice has

been published.

Dated: September 16, 2013

Sherry Hutt,

Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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